
By: **Senator Middleton**

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Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Bed and Breakfast Establishments - Food Service - Regulation**

3 FOR the purpose of exempting certain bed and breakfast establishments from certain
4 Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and local government regulations
5 relating to a certain type of kitchen equipment; requiring certain bed and
6 breakfast establishments to register with the health officer in the county;
7 providing that certain bed and breakfast establishments are subject to certain
8 food safety and contamination regulations; requiring the health officer in each
9 county where a certain bed and breakfast establishment is registered to inspect
10 the bed and breakfast establishment for compliance with certain food safety and
11 contamination regulations; and generally relating to the regulation of food
12 service at bed and breakfast establishments.

13 BY adding to
14 Article - Health - General
15 Section 21-323.1
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
19 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article - Health - General**

21 21-323.1.

22 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "BED AND BREAKFAST ESTABLISHMENT" MEANS A
23 LODGING OR ROOMING HOUSE AS DEFINED IN § 9-201 OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY
24 ARTICLE HAVING EIGHT ROOMS OR LESS FOR RENT.

25 (B) A BED AND BREAKFAST ESTABLISHMENT IS EXEMPT FROM ANY
26 REGULATION GOVERNING FOOD SERVICE FACILITIES THAT IS ADOPTED BY THE
27 DEPARTMENT OR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION OR
28 INSTALLATION OF COMMERCIAL GRADE KITCHEN EQUIPMENT IN THE BED AND
29 BREAKFAST ESTABLISHMENT.

1 (C) EACH BED AND BREAKFAST ESTABLISHMENT THAT INTENDS TO SERVE
2 HOT MEALS TO RENTERS SHALL BE REGISTERED WITH THE HEALTH OFFICER FOR
3 THE COUNTY AND IS SUBJECT TO STATE AND LOCAL HEALTH REGULATIONS THAT
4 GOVERN FOOD SAFETY AND CONTAMINATION.

5 (D) IN EACH COUNTY, THE HEALTH OFFICER SHALL INSPECT EACH BED AND
6 BREAKFAST ESTABLISHMENT THAT INTENDS TO SERVE HOT MEALS TO RENTERS
7 FOR COMPLIANCE WITH FOOD SAFETY AND CONTAMINATION REGULATIONS.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 October 1, 2004.